

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals who have contributed to the welfare of this great state through significant personal achievement; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize the Honorable Mary K. Hoff, of St. Louis, Missouri, a judge serving on the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, who was recently honored by The Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Saint Louis with their President's Award of Honor, during the Association's Installation Banquet held on October 1, 2008; and

Whereas, the Honorable Mary K. Hoff earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia and her juris doctorate from Saint Louis University; and

Whereas, the Honorable Mary K. Hoff served as assistant public defender for the City of St. Louis between 1978 and 1982, and was engaged in private law practice between 1982 and 1989; and

Whereas, the Honorable Mary K. Hoff was appointed circuit judge on May 15, 1989; was appointed to the Missouri Court of Appeals on December 15, 1995; and served one term as Chief Judge (2000-2001); and

Whereas, the Honorable Mary K. Hoff has served the legal profession and the community as a member of the following organizations: The Missouri Bar Association, Metropolitan St. Louis Bar Association, The Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Saint Louis, the National Association of Women Judges; The Natural Resources Commission (Chair); the Saint Louis University Law School Dean's Council; and St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church; and

Whereas, the Honorable Mary K. Hoff, as a member of the judiciary, has served on the Missouri Court Automation Committee, the Supreme Court Family Court Committee, and the Appellate Judicial Education Committee; and

Whereas, The Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Saint Louis has been in existence since 1976 when a brave group of women decided to band together to form an organization that would support and promote women lawyers in whatever their endeavors:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our most sincere congratulations to the Honorable Mary K. Hoff on the occasion of being recognized with The Women Lawyers Association of Greater St. Louis's coveted President's Award of Honor; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Judge Mary K. Hoff.

Offered by _____
Representative Margaret Donnelly
District No. 73

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker